impacts on environment could be remedied through appropriate environental action plans. The project authorities have submitted detailed Environmental Action Plans to the Ministry of Environment & Forests.

Autonomy in the Management of Public Sector

621. SHRI YASHWANT SINHA : Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Government propose to give complete autonomy in the management of Public Sector ;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof ; and

(c) by when this new system is proposed to be implemented?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI AJIT SINGH) : (a) to (c) It is Government's policy to give greater autonomy to public sector enterprises consistent with their accountability. To this end the concept of Memorandum of Understanding has been introduced which clarifies the mutual obligations of the public sector enterprises and the administrative Ministries in achieving improved performance. Under this system while Government will provide necessary support, the PSE management will be held accountable for fulfilment of mutually negotiated targets. The evaluation system is so designed as to be able to distinguish clearly between good and bad performance.

18 major public sector enterprises signed the MOU for the year 1989-90 and 15 more are expected to sign for the year 1990-91. The evaluation of performance of 18 public sector enterprises who signed MOUs for the year 1989-90 is due in the period April-June, 1990.

Performance of State Electricity Boards

622. SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MALAVIYA : Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Comptroller and Auditor General of India in his report on the performance of State Electricity Boards has pointed out some glaring deficiencies in the planning and execution of transmission line works of the State Electricity Board as reported in the 'Deccan Herald' dated 8th June, 1989 ; and

(b) if so, what corrective steps have been taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF EMERGY WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI ARIF MOHD. KHAN) : (a) and (b) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Inadequate Facilities in Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia Hospital, New Delhi

623. SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MALAVIYA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether several heart patients died in Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia Hospital, New Delhi between February and April, 1989 due to non-availability of Baloon Angioplasty Cardiologist and Angiograph facilities

(b) whether those patients were informed in advance about non-availability of those facilities in the hospital ; and

(c) if not, whether Government propose to compensate the next of kin of those patients and, if so, what is the nature of proposed compensation?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI NILAMANI ROUTARY) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Grounding of Westland Helicopters

624. SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MALAVIYA :
SHRI ASHWANI KUMAR :

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have using Westland WL-30 helicopters ;

(b) if so, since when ;

(c) what is the number of these helicopters stationed at each place in the country ;

(d) how many of them were grounded as on 30th December, 1989 for want of spares or for other reasons and how many were under active operation ;

(e) what is the period for which each aircraft remained grounded since it landed in India ;

(f) what is the estimated overall total loss incurred by Pawan Hans, Indian Airlines and the ONGC separately as a result thereof ; and

(g) what steps have been taken by Government to ensure uninterrupted supply of spares for proper maintenance of the fleet?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI ARIF MOHD. KHAN) : (a) Pawan Hans Limited purchased 21 Westland-30 helicopters for use in the oil and non-oil sectors.

(b) The helicopters arrived in India in phases during the period 25-9-86 to 11-3-88 and the first two helicopters were inducted for operation on 6-10-1986.

(c) Eight helicopters were stationed at Bombay, 5 in Delhi and one each at Vijaywada, Agartala, Nazira, Shillong, Porbandar and Aizwal—in all 19 helicopters. Two helicopters were lost in accident.

(d) The entire fleet of Westland-30 helicopters is grounded since 21-12-1989.

(e) Please see Statement.

(f) The loss incurred by Pawan Hans Limited from 1986-87 to September, 1989 was Rs. 17·99 crores, approximately.

As ONGC is compensated by Pawan Hans Limited by way of liquidated damages, no loss has been incurred by it. The question of loss to Indian Airlines does not arise.

(g) Apart from placing bulk orders to augment the stock level and AOG (Aircraft on Ground) orders to meet urgent requirements, frequent meetings are held by officers of Pawan Hans Limited with the representatives of the manufacturers. In addition efforts have been made at the bilateral level also in this direction.